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When I was created, the Lord never intended for me to be an orator, or he would have given me the power that Rev. Wm Leins of the Scranton Historical Society exhibited when Gertrude and I <sup>and my grandmother</sup> heard him give such an eloquent ~~speech~~ <sup>history</sup> of Lacka. Co a few weeks ago. Unfortunately he did not get to the far reaches of Wayne Co, so there was no information about the Griswold family.

As I recall, the Alex Haley of this group should be credited to our beloved Carrie Loomis and Irene Norton who became some of the early historians of our family. Aided by the keen mind of Aunt Augusta, many facts are now available that would otherwise have been lost to posterity. As for the historical background of the family, there is little I can add to the fine report we had last year by Alice Williams, so bear with me on my little bits of information.

First, I would like to show you the likeness of Jane Loomis who was married